SOVEREIGN GRACE CHURCH

May 2nd, 2021

We gather together
Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and
Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

"…I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight"

(Luke 10:21)

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"…the righteous answer Him, saying, Lord, when [did we EVER do these things, when did we see] *…thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?"* Contrast what His sheep say with what the goats answer Him, they say: *"…Lord,* [when did we NOT do these things, when did we NOT see] *…thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did NOT minister unto thee?"* What a fearful contrast! Save me LORD! Save me from ever looking to anything that I do; cause me to forget (to lose) all for *Christ's sake*, and only and ever remember what your well pleasing Son did for me. Lord, if I am not saved now, save me even as I write these words, have mercy on me *the* sinner! [Matthew 25:31-46, Luke 18:13-14]—Pastor

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Welcome

Sinners are welcome at Sovereign Grace Church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an imperfect assembly, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God's underserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name Jesus for He shall (not might, not maybe) rather He shall save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it you are *complete in Him*, saved to the *uttermost* [Colossians 2:10, Hebrews 7:25].

Announcements

Happy Birthday!

Gayle Luman, May 12th

Resources

Be sure to visit our websites for gospel articles, live messages, and resources.

Grace Articles

Delight Thyself In The LORD

"Delight thyself also in the LORD;
and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart"
(**Psalm 37:4**)

Reader, for someone to exhort a believer to "delight themselves in being a godly follower of Jesus" is a comment entirely void of the Gospel of God concerning His Son. While an exhortation like that may feed self-righteous Pharisees, but not the sheep of His pasture. Beloved, delight thyself in the LORD and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart [Psalm 37:4]. Reader, for someone to delight themselves (or comfort themselves, or rejoice) in any thing other than the *justifying blood* and *sanctifying righteousness* of the Lord Jesus Christ, is nothing more than out-and-out idolatry.

Beloved, rest, for the warfare of your salvation is accomplished. By the sacrifice of Himself, our Lord and God has saved you to the *uttermost*; and through the one sacrifice of His precious blood you are now justified, having been cleansed of all your sins. And much more, having been made one with Him, you are *sanctified* and *perfected for ever*. Indeed, God makes that new man, Christ in you (the man that *cannot sin*, *the* sure *hope of glory*), to be your *righteousness* and *true holiness* [Isaiah 40:1-2, Ephesians 4:24, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 7:25; 10:10,14]. So that now beloved, by God's undeserved grace we may read, believe, and know *"Herein is our love made perfect, that, we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world"* (1 John 4:17). Amen! — Pastor

"**If Christ has died for me—then I cannot [play] with the sin which killed my best Friend!**" — CHS

He careth FOR you

"Casting all your care upon Him;
for He careth for you."
(**1 Peter 5:7**)

Beloved child of God, He doesn't care about you. Rather ever so blessedly, *He careth for you* (1 Peter 5:7). You see believing sinner, we don't just <u>believe</u>, further to that, by God's grace, He ever makes us to <u>know</u> that all things (not some things, <u>all things</u>) work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose [Romans 8:28]. Amen! — Pastor

"…do you know how I want you judged?"

"Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy" (Jude 1:24-25).

Believing sinners saved by God's grace, disrespect that man pleasing (man fearing) sentiment that moves false preachers to say someone is in a better place after they die, when they have *no reason* to say so, much less *hope* for such [Galatians 1:10]. You see beloved, we love others (and more importantly we glorify God) when we tell them the Truth and say there's nothing a preacher can say (or that you and I can say) that will change what God has for an individual after that person dies.

Our Lord Jesus declares *"I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven"* (Matthew 5:20). Reader, for you and I to enter the kingdom of heaven, we must have the *perfect righteousness* of God Himself, indeed the very righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ. And when a sinner is shut-up to hope only in God's Son, (taught of God) she learns that our heavenly Father hath made His Son *to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him* [2 Corinthians 5:21].

Beloved believing sinner, we rest in knowing that God's gift of salvation shall be granted to all our friends and family that have been made, by God's grace, by God's power, to know that they are nothing more than sinners; for *"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"* (1 Timothy 1:15). Repent ye 'righteous' and look to the Lord Jesus Christ for all of your salvation, for all your righteousness [Mark 1:15, Acts 20:21]; for *"He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them"* (Hebrews 7:25).

God's people love the *whosoevers* of Scripture. I pray you do too, reader. For God is pleased to save *whomsoever* He will be gracious to and *whomsoever* He will shew mercy to [Exodus 33:19, Romans 9:15-16]. *"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God"* (John 3:16-18).

Reader, do you know how I want you judged? In Christ. May God be pleased to reveal to you, even now, that you are *washed* in our Saviour's *precious blood* and are *made* the *perfect righteousness* of God in Christ [Romans 8:16, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 10:10,14]. Amen! — Pastor